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Weird Weather

Have you ever seen something fall from the sky that shouldn't fall from the sky? On June 28, 1957, people near Thomasville, Alabama were amazed to see thousands of small fish, frogs, and crayfish falling from the sky during a rainstorm. Many of the animals were still alive. Later, the residents of the town found out that there had been a tornado 15 miles away. This probably caused the animals to fly through the air.

From July to September in 2001, there red rain fell in Kerala, which is in South India. This "blood rain" stained clothes pink. After many studies by the government of India, it was discovered that spores from an algae had caused the colored rain. There have also been reports of yellow, green, and black rain.

During times of meteor showers, a jelly-like substance has been known to fall from the sky. It can be found on grass or branches of trees. This jelly is known as Star Jelly. It evaporates, or disappears, shortly after falling.

Throughout history, there has been documentation of many different kinds of weather. Most of the weather can be explained with science. It is very weird and unusual to see some of these things fall from the sky!

1) What can you infer about the tornado and the fish, frogs, and crayfish that fell from the sky?

2) What caused the "blood rain" in South India?

3) Why do you think the jelly-like substance is known as Star Jelly?

4) How has weird weather been proven through the years?

5) What is the strangest thing you've ever seen fall from the sky? Tell about it.
